

COD Processing Update

April 12th, 2023

Announcements

2022–23 Verification Status Code “W” Warning Message (4/12/23)

On April 11, 2023, Federal Student Aid will begin sending a text message (PGTX23OP) as well as a Reconciliation Report (PGRC23OP) via the Student Aid Internet Gateway (SAIG) to schools that have one or more Federal Pell Grant (Pell Grant) student records still reported with a verification status code of “W.” The message is a warning that disbursements to all students with a verification status code of “W” will be considered overawards and reduced to a zero dollar amount (\$0.00), even though the disbursements were previously accepted in the COD System. The reduction of the affected disbursements is scheduled to occur on April 25, 2023.

Note Regarding Verification Deadline:

Some of the student records included in the Reconciliation Report may be for students who are still within the allowable timeframe for submitting verification documentation/completing the verification process by the deadlines specified in the “2022–23 Award Year Deadline Dates” published in the *Federal Register* on June 1, 2022.

Following the April 25, 2023, reduction, if a school needs additional time to complete verification for an individual student in accordance with the allowable timeframe in the *Federal Register* notice, the school may resubmit a disbursement record with a value greater than zero (\$0.00) until Sept. 27, 2023. After Sept. 27, 2023, the COD System will no longer accept “W” as a valid verification status code for 2022–23 Pell Grant awards.

For complete information, refer to an [April 12, 2023 Electronic Announcement](#) posted on the Knowledge Center. If you have questions about the warning message or about reporting verification status codes to the COD System, contact the FSA Partner and School Relations Center.

2023–24 Final Funding for Campus-Based Programs (3/31/23)

Federal Student Aid has announced that final 2023–24 Campus-Based programs funding worksheets and the 2023–24 Statement of Account for each of the Campus-Based programs have been posted to the COD website. For complete information refer to a [March 31, 2023 Electronic Announcement](#).

2023–24 Pell Grant Payment & Disb Schedule Information Posted (3/8/23)

In [Dear Colleague Letter GEN-23-02](#), published on the Knowledge Center, on Jan. 26, 2023, Federal Student Aid provided the community with the Federal Pell Grant Payment and Disbursement Schedules for the 2023–24 award year for full-time, three-quarter-time, half-time, and less-than-half-time students. All 2023–24 Pell Grant awards must be based on the schedules attached to the GEN-23-02.

In a [March 7, 2023 Electronic Announcement](#), Federal Student Aid provided information about the operational implementation of the schedules in its systems, including the COD System.

Campus-Based XML Schema Version 1.0a (3/7/2023)

In summer 2023, Federal Student Aid plans to implement COD System functionality that will support a new Extensible Markup Language (XML) Schema that will be used for reporting specific Campus-Based program data to the COD System. The new Campus-Based XML schema version is 1.0a.

Effective upon completion of the summer 2023 COD System implementation—

- All Campus-Based Common Record documents must be sent using Campus-Based XML Schema Version 1.0a. All Campus-Based Common Record responses will be sent by the COD System using Campus-Based XML Schema Version 1.0a.
- COD Web Activity responses will be sent by the COD System using Campus-Based XML Schema Version 1.0a.
- We will fully validate all Common Record files against the published Campus-Based XML Schema.

It is important that a school or third-party software provider carefully review the Campus-Based Schema, **in conjunction** with the Campus-Based Common Record Layout.

More information about the Campus-Based XML schema is in a [March 6, 2023 Electronic Announcement](#). Federal Student Aid will provide more detailed information about the valid values and business rules for the Campus-Based XML schema and related COD System changes in forthcoming Electronic Announcements and technical documentation planned for spring and early summer 2023.

If you have questions, contact the FSA Partner and School Relations Center.

Updated 2023–2024 COD Technical Reference Now Available (3/3/2023)

An updated [2023–2024 COD Technical Reference](#) is now available on the Knowledge Center. If you have questions about this material, contact the COD School Relations Center.

First Pell Grant Administrative Cost Allowance Payments for 2022–23 Award Year (2/27/23)

Federal Student Aid began processing the first Pell Grant Administrative Cost Allowance (ACA) payments for the 2022–23 award year on Feb. 23, 2023.

A school's calculated Pell Grant ACA payment is posted in G5 as an Available Balance in the school's ACA G5 Award Number, P063Q22####. A school needs to sign in to the G5 website and process a drawdown transaction in G5 to receive the funds.

For complete information about these ACA payments, refer to the [Feb. 27, 2023 Electronic Announcement](#) that is posted on the Knowledge Center.

Current Issues

Campus-Based

There are no Campus-Based-related issues at this time.

Direct Loans

There are no Direct Loan-related issues at this time.

Grants

There are no Grant-related issues at this time.

Reminders

Keep School Contact Information Current in the COD System

We remind schools and third-party servicers that contact information in the COD System must be kept current. Contact information is extremely important for us to be able to reach the right people at the school, particularly about program-specific issues. The email addresses for the President, Financial Aid Administrator, Campus-Based Financial Aid Officer, Direct Loan Financial Aid Officer, and Pell Grant Financial Aid Officer are used to deliver time-sensitive materials and critical COD processing information to the school.

Having current contact information for these key staff is most critical for a school that is an additional location to a main campus. The information allows us to contact those officers directly at the additional location rather than needing to contact the main campus.

For more detail about updating school contact information or the Direct Loan or Pell Grant Financial Aid Officer, refer to the [Dec. 20, 2012 Electronic Announcement](#) posted on the Knowledge Center. The CampusBased Financial Aid Officer information can be updated directly from the “School Information” page within the Campus-Based System on the COD website.

How to Access Information from the COD Website File Share

As a reminder, Federal Student Aid shares student-specific information through uploaded files via the COD website. We upload these files to the File Share section of the “File Share & Messages” page of the COD website. Authorized school users are able to view and download the customized documents from the COD website. Schools can access the “File Share & Messages” page by completing the following steps:

1. Log in to the COD website.
2. Click on the “School” tab.
3. Enter the required school identifiers and click on “Search.” This will open the “School Summary Information” page.
4. Click on the “File Share/Messages” link on the left-hand side of the page to open the “File Share & Messages” page.